FIRST REGULAR SESSION

[TRULY AGREED TO AND FINALLY PASSED]

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE NO. 2 FOR

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NOS. 11 & 7

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment to article I of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section relating to the right to farm.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next

- 2 following the first Monday in November, 2014, or at a special election to be called by the
- 3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for
- 4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article I of the Constitution of the state of
- 5 Missouri:

Section A. Article I, Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adding thereto one new

- 2 section, to be known as section 35, to read as follows:
 - Section 35. That agriculture which provides food, energy, health benefits, and
- 2 security is the foundation and stabilizing force of Missouri's economy. To protect this vital
- 3 sector of Missouri's economy, the right of farmers and ranchers to engage in farming and
- 4 ranching practices shall be forever guaranteed in this state, subject to duly authorized
- 5 powers, if any, conferred by article VI of the Constitution of Missouri.
 - Section B. Pursuant to Chapter 116, RSMo, and other applicable constitutional
- 2 provisions and laws of this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for the

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

- 3 submission of a joint resolution to the voters of this state, the official ballot title of the
- 4 amendment proposed in Section A shall be as follows:
- 5 "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to ensure that the right of Missouri
- 6 citizens to engage in agricultural production and ranching practices shall not be
- 7 infringed?"

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